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For: Transparent Encryption and Decryption with Algorithm Independent Cryptographic Engine That Allows for Containerization of Encrypted Files

Art Unit: 2132

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 12, please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks.

CLEAN VERSION OF THE AMENDED PORTIONS OF THE SPECIFICATION:

Please see Attachment 1.

CLEAN VERSION OF THE CLAIMS

47. (Amended) A method of encrypting an electronic file in an application program running in a suitable environment for operating the program, comprising the steps of:

- a) issuing a change document command to act upon the file;